

Fort Monmouth Healthcare Services



**Patterson
Army
Health Clinic**

**US Department of
Defense Healthcare**



**Veterans
Administration
Healthcare Clinic**

**US Department of
Veterans Affairs**



Patterson Army Health Clinic



Clinic Services

- Primary Care and Primary Care Referrals
- Medical Specialties – Optometry, Podiatry
- Lab Services (Earle NWS and Lakehurst NAES also use service)
- Allergy and Immunization
- Wellness Clinic
- Community Mental Health Services
- Pharmacy



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TRICARE

- **TRICARE Prime** – managed care option (HMO) required for all active duty personnel. Optional for active duty families, retirees and retiree families.
- **TRICARE Extra** – preferred provider option (PPO) for active duty families, retirees and retiree families.
- **TRICARE Standard** – fee for service option for active duty families, retirees and retiree families.
- **TRICARE for Life** – beneficiaries 65 and over who eligible for Medicare Part A can use TRICARE for Life if they purchase Medicare Part B.
- **TRICARE Plus** – military treatment facility (MTF) primary care enrollment that is offered at select MTFs. Enrollees in TRICARE Extra, Standard and For Life are eligible for this program.





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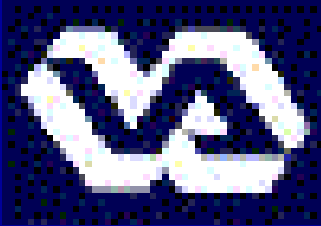
- **TRICARE Plus** allows enrollees to use a primary care provider at a participating Military Treatment Facility (MTF) as their principal source of health care.
- TRICARE Plus is provided at Patterson Army Health Clinic and utilized by many of the retirees.
- **TRICARE Plus provides a substantial savings for retirees and their family members. Under this program they are provided primary care services without an enrollment fee or co-pay, devoid of this program they will be paying for some portion of their routine primary care expenses or a yearly enrollment fee.**
- **Approximately, 1870 retirees will now be forced to choose to enroll in TRICARE Prime, Extra or Standard and be faced with enrollment fees, deductibles or co-pays.**
- TRICARE Plus has been targeted by DoD for elimination nationwide due to high service costs.



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TRICARE Enrollment at PAHC

TRICARE Program	Enrollment	Notes
Prime	1277	Active Duty
	1841	Active Duty Family Members
Extra	0	
Standard	0	
For Life	1250	Retirees and Family Members over 65
Total	4550	
Plus	1250	Retirees and Family Members over 65
	620	Retirees and Family Members under 65
Total Plus	1870	



Veterans Administration Health Clinic

- On June 21, 2003 the Veterans Administration opened the Fort Monmouth Veterans Outpatient Clinic in an unused wing of the old Patterson Army Hospital.
- The VA Clinic is a completely separate federal agency and not affiliated with PAHC. Any veteran is eligible to receive services from the VA Clinic.
- The Fort Monmouth VA Clinic was established to ease overcrowding and long service delays that were being experienced by the New Jersey's veterans' community. New Jersey has one of the largest elderly veterans' populations in the country.
- The clinic is part of the New Jersey Veterans' Healthcare Network an affiliate of the Federal Department of Veterans Affairs.
- The Veterans Administration currently leases the clinic space from the Army.

The Future of Fort Monmouth Healthcare Services

- Patterson Army Health Clinic (PAHC) is slated for closure by October 1, 2010 the beginning of FY 2011.
- Veterans Administration Clinic will cease to be tenant of PAHC. The VA has stated that they intend to remain in Monmouth County either leasing at the current location or a new location.



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Options for Veteran Clinic Services

- **Lease agreement with the new owner of the building formerly housing the Patterson Army Health Clinic.**
- **Lease agreement with a local hospital to utilize space at their facility so continued clinic services can be provided.**
- **Lease agreement at a new location within northern Monmouth County.**

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Options for TRICARE Plus Beneficiaries

- A reciprocal agreement between TRICARE and the Veterans Administration to allow the 1750 TRICARE Plus beneficiaries affected by the PAHC closure to use VA clinic physicians as their primary healthcare provider.
- An agreement with either Earle Branch Clinic or the McGuire Ambulatory Care Facility to provide TRICARE Plus services only for the 1750 beneficiaries affected by the closure.
- An agreement with DoD that they will contract with several local civilian hospitals or health care providers to accept TRICARE Plus beneficiaries.

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